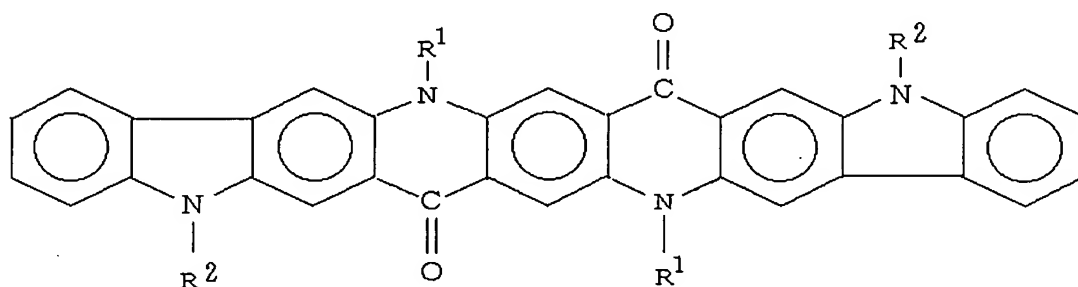


AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning in line 5 on page 3 of the specification to read as follows:

--In order to solve the aforementioned problems, this invention provides a luminescent compound emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (1):

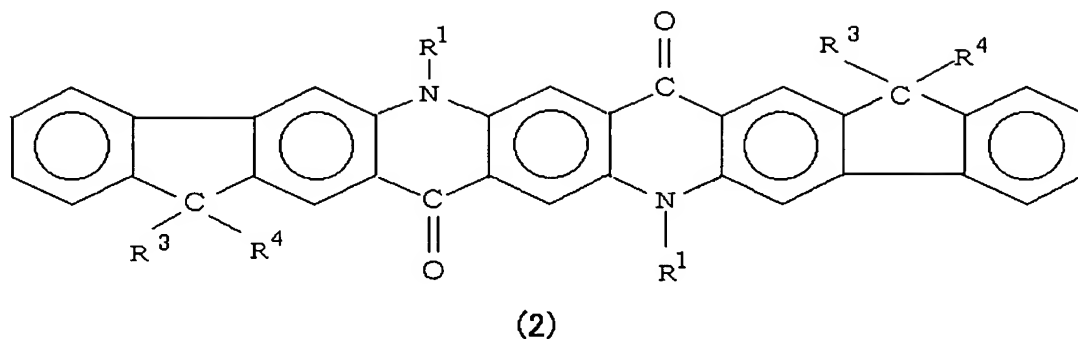


(1)

wherein R^1 is hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or ~~alkyl-aryl~~ arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^1 's may be the same or different from each other; R^2 is hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or ~~alkyl-aryl~~ arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^2 's may be the same or different from each other; and R^1 and R^2 may be the same or different from each other.--

Please amend the paragraph beginning in line 15 on page 3 of the specification to read as follows:

--Alternatively, this invention provides a luminescent compound emitting white light that has a structure represented by formula (2):



wherein R^1 is hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or ~~alkyl~~ arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein two R^1 's may be the same or different from each other; each of R^3 and R^4 is hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or ~~alkyl~~ arylalkyl group that may have at least one substituent, wherein R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different from each other; and two R^3 's may be the same or different and two R^4 's may be the same or different.--

Please amend the paragraph beginning in line 21 on page 10 of the specification to read as follows:

--In formula (1), R^1 denotes hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl or ~~alkyl~~ arylalkyl that may have at least one substituent. Suitable for the alkyl group are those having 1-30 carbon atoms, preferably 1-20 carbon atoms, more preferably 1-10 carbon atoms. In particular, a lower alkyl group having 1-5 carbon atoms such as methyl group, ethyl group or propyl group is preferable. Two R^1 's may be the same or different from each other. When R^1 is an aryl group, it includes phenyl group, a naphthyl group, an anthryl group and a biphenyl group, and groups derived from these aromatic groups by replacing at least one hydrogen atom thereof with a substituent such as an alkyl group or an alkoxy group. When R^1 is an arylalkyl group, it includes benzyl group, 1-phenylethyl group, 2-phenylethyl group, 1-phenylpropyl group, 2-phenylpropyl group, 3-phenylpropyl group, 5-phenylbutyl group, etc. The phenyl moiety of these groups may further have substituents such as an alkyl group and alkoxy group. The preferable arylalkyl group is benzyl group.--